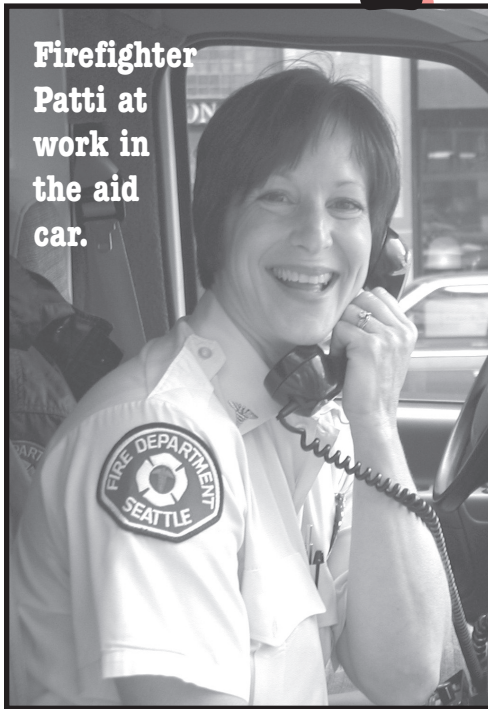


# Fireflies



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## Feature Firefighter



Firefighter Patti at work in the aid car.

### Meet Firefighter Patti Mann

Firefighter Patti is a Medic. Medics have very important jobs. They take care of people who are hurt very badly. They save lives. Medics drive an aid car. It is like an emergency room on wheels. It even has a bed inside for patients to lay down on!

Firefighter Patti became a medic because she likes helping people. She sees people when they are hurt very bad. They are often scared. She helps make the scary time better by taking good care of them.

Firefighter Patti doesn't like to see people hurt. She teaches people how to be safe whenever she can. Teaching people to wear helmets when they ride

bikes or skate is very important to her. Her whole family rides bikes. Her husband, who is also a Medic, and their two children always wear their helmets. Her daughters, Katie and Alex, are 7 and 9 years old. Do you wear your helmet like they do?

"A helmet is part of the equipment needed for riding bikes or skating" says Firefighter Patti. "Just like the aid car is part of the equipment a Medic uses." Firefighter Patti knows that helmets can save people's lives. She has seen it happen. "When you wear your helmet your head is protected. Your head is what makes your body work. If your head gets hurt your body might not work right anymore". Protect yourself. Always wear your helmet!

Firefighter Patti is a lot of fun. Maybe you will see her while she is working in Seattle. If you see her, show her how smart you are by wearing your helmet.

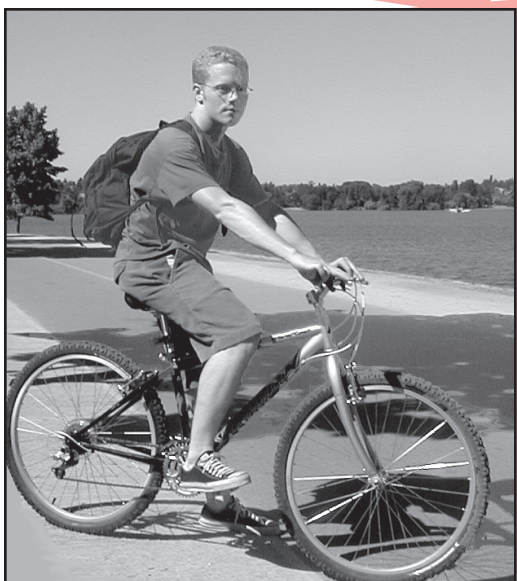


**Firefighter Patti and her partner Firefighter Raeann. These two Medics stay very busy. On this day they are assigned to Medic Unit 31 near Northgate.**



## Who Wears a Helmet?

Draw a line between the person  
and their helmet.



## Activity

Do you ever wear a helmet?  
Tell a story in which you wear  
a helmet and it keeps you safe.